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Echostar/DirecTV merger

Dear Marcia,

I'd like to go on record as opposing the merger between Echostar and DirectTV. I fail to see how consolidating the only two competitors in the satellite broadcast industry serves the public interest. I live in the mountains of central Colorado, and I have been a DirecTV customer for six years. If this merger is approved by the DOJ and the FCC, consumers will have but a single choice for satellite TV — take it or leave it. On the other hand, I believe the current market at least offers consumers a choice of two providers. That's a good thing, and I'd like to see competition preserved and not give monopoly market powers to Echostar.

Sincerely,

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